

Critical Content and Skills

Content Area:

Students will know...	Formative Assessment	Students will be able to...	Product Summative Assessment
1. current events (earthquake in Haiti and Chile, war in Iraq, politics: economy/health care, and Katrina) and be exposed to pop music (music on the radio)	discussions	1. Explain: Show how a pop culture song relates to a current event.	Students will create an movie/music video using imovie depicting the stance the song takes on the current event issue.
2. important events(bills being passed, fluctuations in the economy, and US foreign policy) and people (political leaders)	Group work and a worksheet	2. Interpret: Interpret the meaning and purpose of political cartoons.	The students will create a political cartoon about a current event using Comic Life.
3. current events (earthquake in Haiti and Chile, war in Iraq, politics: economy/health care, and Katrina)	written proposal	3. Apply: create a piece of art that commentates on a recent event.	Students will create by any means available to them a piece of art that will portray a message about a current event chosen by the student.
4. background knowledge of the events of September 11.	Quiz	4. Perspective: compare the book in the Shadow of Two Towers to actual footage reported on the news.	The students will blog about similarities, differences, and their own feelings about both the news clips and the graphic novel.
5. important events and social/political dynamics	short reflections	5. Empathy: consider the emotions and feelings the photo creates.	The students will create a wikipage containing 4 photos, context information, and their reaction to them. The wikis will also include two hyperlinks to more information.
6. the current ways media uses visuals to report current events	journal entries	6. Self Knowledge: reflect on the different ways art commentates on current	Students will create a podcast/interview explaining the pros and

events.

cons of using art to
explain current events.

Formative

Q - Quizzes

WS - Work Sample

SA - Self Assessment

P - Prompts

O - Observation

D - Dialogues

Product - Summative

CL- Comic Life

IM - Imovie

B - Blog

PC - Podcast

W - Wikispace

G - Glogster